## HOUSE BILL 438 By Fowlkes

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-14-207, relative to indigent defense compensation.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated Section 40-14-207 is amended by deleting subdivisions (a)(1) and (2) and by substituting instead the following language.

(a) Other than public defenders and post-conviction defenders, attorneys appointed under this part shall be entitled to reasonable compensation for their services prior to trial, at trial, and during the appeal of the cause and shall be entitled to reimbursement for their reasonable and necessary expenses in accordance with the rules of the Supreme Court.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.